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Subject: Massachusetts Public Records Law Request: Reports and Files related to shooting death of Alan Greenough (Reading Police Department)

Reading Police Department
PRL Office
15 Union Street
Reading, MA 01867

August 27, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Public Records Law, I hereby request the following records:

All police reports related to the officer-involved shooting which led to the death of Alan Greenough on February 3, 2018 as well as the identity of the officer involved.

I also request that, if appropriate, fees be waived as we believe this request is in the public interest, as suggested but not stipulated by the recommendations of the Massachusetts Supervisor of Public Records. The requested documents will be made available to the general public free of charge as part of the public information service at MuckRock.com, processed by a representative of the news media/press and is made in the process of news gathering and not for commercial usage.

I expect the request to be filled in an accessible format, including for screen readers, which provide text-to-speech for persons unable to read print. Files that are not accessible to screen readers include, for example, .pdf image files as well as physical documents.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Michael Di Natale

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Upload documents directly: https://www.muckrock.com/accounts/agency_login/reading-police-department-603/reports-and-files-related-to-shooting-death-of-alan-greenough-reading-police-department-59993/?uuid-login=96642d9f-d262-4c89-95fe-67d1bb9457a2&email=jpower%40ci.reading.ma.us#agency-reply

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Michael DiNatale
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08/30/2018

**RE: Public Records Request dated 08/27/2018
Response of Records Access Officer**

Dear Mr. DiNatale:

On 08/27/2018, we received your request pursuant to the Massachusetts Public Records Law for the following records:

- All police reports related to the officer-involved shooting which led to the death of Alan Greenough on February 3, 2018 as well as the identity of the officer involved.

With respect to your request, the department intends to withhold the above-referenced requested records due to the applicability of the following exemptions and the reasons set forth below:

- Exemption (f): This exemption applies to "investigatory materials necessarily compiled out of the public view by law enforcement or other investigatory officials the disclosure of which materials would probably so prejudice the possibility of effective law enforcement that such disclosure would not be in the public interest." The records requested contain information related to an ongoing investigation, confidential investigative techniques and information that directly or indirectly identifies witnesses. As a result, such information must be withheld under the law.

Please be advised that pursuant to 950 CMR 32.00 and G.L. c. 66, section 10A(a) you have the right to appeal this decision to the Supervisor of Public Records within 90 calendar days. Such appeal shall be in writing, and shall include a copy of the letter by which the request was made and, if available, a copy of the letter by which the custodian responded. The Supervisor shall accept an appeal only from a person who had made his or her record request in writing. Pursuant to G.L. c. 66, section 10A(c), you also have the right to seek judicial review commencing a civil action in the superior court.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. Abate', written over the closing 'yours'.

Lieutenant Detective Richard P. Abate
Records Access Officer